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Mi Casa
June 30th 1859.

My Dear Anna

I have been thinking
so much of you all since I returned
home, and will feel uneasy until
I hear all about your arrangements
at home. Is Calhoun going to Sch-
-ool and where? Is Florida's throat,
and appetite better? I will Mr. Clemens
I hope he is more cheerful, and going
to New York, if so, to price clock like
his, and if he can have his musical
box mended I will pay for the
repairs if he will give it to me,
if it cannot be mended, price on
the side of his and Mr. Louisa can
know when the clock and boxes

are so if I wish ~~then~~, he can get
them for me - I just received a note
from Mary Pickens mentioning the
illness of poor little Andy, he
has had a violent fever for 8 days
without abating, and is much
prostrated. Thomas Pickens, who
is attending the child fears it
will terminate in Typhoid fever.
I will be so sorry if he should die -
I have had a careful nurse hired
to attend him, and sent all kinds
of things this morning to tempt
him to eat - I fully intended leaving
\$20, do care with you to purchase any
thing I might wish after I returned
home, but forgot it. I cannot get any
of the ~~gallard~~ silks here, so will
thank you to get me one dress pattern

the smallest figure we saw, also
8 yards of the black silk at 58
cents, such as I got three yards
of to make a sack. If it is all gone
don't give any more, as I don't
need it for a coat to wear with
my thin dress, I find the weather too
warm - Get me also 4 match boxes
like those I purchased for Jackson
I do not need matches, as I can get
them here - Have the things put
in a small box packing the match
boxes at the bottom carefully -
ask Mr Jackson to send the
box or by express as soon as
possible - I hope you received
my letter asking you to pay
for my box of glass and send it
or by express also send the bees

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And I will send the money immediately.
Do send the patterns from Mrs Bart-
Keep me informed as to what you hear
from James, Mr Brallie, and Appletones -
you ought to get Floride to write as you
do like it so much, but she must write long
letters, and you can dictate them - I have just
been down to show where to put the bathing
house, and have Jackson fixing the road
to it - Stevens has made such a fine crop
here, that he will stay next year - His wheat
is the finest I have ever - I wish you would
write me how you wash your black lambs
you told me but I have forgotten - I wish I had
Mr Sauber to make me some new things. I expect
Edward Crosby, will bring up his family, next
week to spend several days - Mr Cornish said
how much improved Mrs Van Wyck was in Au-
gust, he thought the journey had taken off
much of her superfluous flesh, and as he said so
rapped his hand over his stomach, but I said not
a word although I knew, it was caused by diffidence
of self - Kate and Ann like you are in love to all.
I am ever to you
your affectionate brother
Floride Calhoun